

Medicaid Waiver and Developmental Disabilities: Creative, Collaborative Utilization of a Federal Program

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The mission of the Developmental Disabilities Division (DDD) is to assure there is a state system of supports and services for persons with developmental disabilities or mental retardation (DD/MR), which includes principles of self-determination and incorporates individualized funding, person centered planning and community services.



Whom do we assist?

Individuals with
mental retardation and/or
developmental disabilities
(as defined by law) and
their families and/or guardians



How do we assist?

Through the development of a system of supports and services based on the law



Individualized Service Plan (ISP)

- Describes:
 - 1. What is important to the person;
 - 2. How any issue of health & safety shall be addressed; and
 - 3. What needs to happen to support the person in the person's desired life.
- Identifies/Authorizes services and supports, particularly those funded by DDD
- A person-centered plan



Person-Centered Planning

- Planning centered on the person
- Learning how people want to live through a process of ASKING and LISTENING
- Plans should reflect the typically modest wishes and desires of the person and not a fantasy of the "good life" from the person doing the planning
- The process is lifelong and interactive



Home and Community-Based Services

Services provided in the home or community as an alternative to an institutional setting that are necessary to assure the health, safety, and well-being of individuals



- The State contracts with service provider agencies
- Each agency is individually authorized to provide specific services
- Individuals choose an agency to receive services from
- Contracted provider agencies develop an Individualized Plan that describes how the service will be provided
- The Individualized Plan is based on the goals and activities in the ISP
- Provider agencies hire qualified workers to provide the service



- Personal Assistance
 - -Consumer-Directed
- Respite
- Habilitation
- Habilitation-Supported
- **Employment**
- Adult Day Health
- Skilled Nursing

- Non-Medical
 Transportation
- Specialized Services-Crisis Shelter
- Specialized Services-Outreach
- Specialized
 Environmental
 Accessibility
 Adaptations



Relationship Between DHS and DOH

Department of Human Services (DHS):

- Is liaison between CMS and DOH
- Provides administrative oversight
- Reviews, provides technical assistance, and submits waiver requests to CMS
- Contracts with providers
- Monitors contracts

Department of Health (DOH):

- Develops Waiver requests
- Determines DD/MR eligibility (state defined)
- Programmatically runs the DD/MR waiver
- Provides targeted state case management
- Reviews quality of service delivery



- Person-Centered Planning will continue
- Increased capacity for consumer-direction
- Service Delivery Model
 - Currently Service Model: Agency Choice
 - Future Service Model: Managed Care
 July 2009: Transition to 1115 Waiver